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SUBJECT: CHINA STARS SONG ENSEMBLE

REF: TAIPEI 3916

1. WE HAVE DECIDED THAT IF GROC IS NOT WILLING
TO DELAY DEPARTURE OF CHINA STARS GROUP, WE MUST TAKE
NECESSARY ACTION TO ENSURE THERE WILL BE NO SCHEDULE
CONFLICT WITH WU SHU GROUP.

2. YOU SHOULD THEREFORE APPROACH VICE MINISTER TSAI
WEI-PING AGAIN WITHOUT WAITING FOR HIS REPLY TO YOUR
JUNE 20 REQUEST TO (A) REEMPHASIZE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH
WE WOULD REGARD ROC UNWILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE IN THIS
MATTER AND (B) MAKE CLEAR THAT IF GROC DOES NOT DELAY
DEPARTURE OF CHINA STARS GROUP, WE WILL HAVE NO CHOICE
BUT TO TAKE ACTION OURSELVES TO PREVENT SCHEDULE CON-
FLICT EVEN IF THAT RESULTED IN COURT ACTION AND UNFAVOR-

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3. FYI IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE DECISION, ARMSTRONG CALLED PRCLC EVENING OF JUNE 20 ASKING TO SPEAK WITH HAN HSU. IN THE DEPUTY CHIEF'S ABSENCE, ARMSTRONG ASKED CHANG CHIH-HSIANG, WHO HAD ACCOMPANIED HA IN THE JUNE 17 CALL

ON HUMMEL, TO INFORM HAN THAT REGARDING THE QUESTION OF THE OTHER TROUPE, "THE PROBLEM WILL NOT ARISE." CHANG ASKED WHAT THIS MEANT, AND ARMSTRONG AMPLIFIED THAT "THE OTHER GROUP WILL NOT BE PERFORMING HERE WHILE THE WU SHU TUAN IS IN THE COUNTRY." END FYI
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